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page 8 we are taking out the word "operator" and reinserting the word "owner" as having primary responsibility for paying the towing and storage fees. But on page 10, we are inserting language after line 13 that says if the registered owner of the vehicle was not the operator whose actions caused the motor vehicle to be impounded the registered owner may recover in a civil action from the operator for the impoundment, and in addition to that, in the case of a criminal case the court may order the operator to pay restitution to the owner in the amount of the towing and impoundment fees.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: We are, instead of leaving the 10-day maximum period of time for impoundment, where it's impounded on a DUI or DUS related matter, we're saying not less than 10 nor more than 30 days. That's at the top of page 9. So we are not softening it, in DUI or DUS related offenses, in fact, we are making it tougher on the impoundment, but we are cleaning it up so we're focusing and zeroing in on driving under the influence or driving under a suspended license where it's suspended and related to alcohol related offenses. So that was the purpose, I think, of the bill to begin with. This is consistent with that purpose. I appreciate the support of this amendment that we've heard from the Vice Chair of the committee, Senator Elmer, from Senator Chambers and others. I would simply ask the body to adopt this amendment. We'll have three more amendments, because this is a divided committee amendment, to vote on. We hope to stay here and do that. And Senator Chambers and others have pledged to let the bill go on to Select File if the body wishes to do that. So if you'll stay here we'll vote three more times and hopefully vote to advance the bill. Thank you, Madam Lieutenant Governor.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. The question before the body is the adoption of the Bromm amendment to the first division of the committee amendments to LB 309. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 39 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Bromm's amendment.